UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Tornier et al.

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PROSTHETIC ACETABULUM OF A HIP PROSTHESIS

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 16, 2006, the following is submitted:

Amendments to the Specification begin at page 2 of this response,

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 3 of this response; and

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this response.